

**2016/2017 World Series of Poker Circuit
Season 13
Harvey's Lake Tahoe
Stateline, Nevada
Event #7
No-Limit Hold'em
Buy-In: \$300 (+\$65)
Total Entries: 158
Prize Pool: \$47,400
November 1, 2016**



You Could Call It a Comeback

Dale Menghe, after being behind for majority of the later stages, comes from behind to win his first career gold ring.

Stateline, Nevada (November 2, 2016) – Dale Menghe's third WSOP cash was a huge one. He won his first Circuit gold ring by outlasting a field of 158 players in Event #7: \$365 No-Limit Hold'em. The tournament lasted two days and finished under the spotlight at Harvey's Lake Tahoe on Wednesday evening.

Menghe has been playing cards for a while now, but over the years he has implemented an array of different income-generating trades. From running a custom home building business to owning a chain of successful yogurt spots, it is safe to say Menghe is a true, entrepreneurial spirit. Originally from Wisconsin, Menghe use to scoop up some big action at a local casino in his hometown of Milwaukee.

“Potawatomi had one of the biggest PLO games in the country. I caught my teeth on that for about three years,” said Menghe

After selling the yogurt stores, Menghe has since been playing poker full time. The occupational plan was suggested by none other than his wife, who Menghe admires and love. His wife sure had the right idea because recently he has been making out like a bandit, stumbling upon maybe the biggest score of his life exactly one week ago at Graton Casino & Resort.

“Wednesday I ended up winning the bad beat jackpot there, \$118,470,” exclaimed Menghe. “So I've been rolling really good.”

His good run has propelled him from California, to Harvey's Lake Tahoe, and straight through to the number one spot in Event #7. However, the No-Limit Hold'em tournament was hardly a breeze for Menghe. When play reached the final three tables Menghe's stack was in critical condition and, for the most part, stayed there even through to the final table where he came in as seventh in chips. Menghe played careful and smart poker, dodging a few crucial hands.

“I always thought... You know these tournaments; it's not the ones you win, it's the ones you lay down,” Menghe explained.

A stand out hand for Menghe was when he laid down a set to his opponent who shoved on the river. With an ugly board showing flush and straight opportunities, Menghe's tournament life could have been extinguished on that very hand. This was never the case though.

Once play was short-handed, Menghe turned up the heat, and his aggressive play late got him the outright victory. He walked away with the top-prize of \$12,798, 50 Casino Championship points, and a coveted gold ring to call his own. Menghe is geared up to play the Main Event beginning on Friday, as well as making a trip back to Milwaukee for the Potawatomi Circuit series happening in early February.

Event #7 was the seventh of 12 gold ring events on the WSOP Circuit schedule at the Harvey's Lake Tahoe series. The \$365 No-Limit Hold'em tournament attracted 158 players generating a \$47,400 prizepool. The top 18 players were paid.

The player who accumulates the most overall points during the Circuits twelve combined gold ring events earns the title of Casino Champion and receives automatic entry into the WSOP Global Casino Championship set to take place at the end of the season.

All players who cash in ring events receive points that apply toward the Casino Championship race and the season-long race to claim one of 50 at-large Global Casino Championship bids awarded to the top point earners throughout the season. More information on the points system is available on WSOP.com.

Here is the list of gold ring winners from the Harvey's Lake Tahoe series:

EVENT #1: Greg Armand defeated 145 players (\$365 NLHE 30 Minute Levels) for \$12,181
EVENT #2: Julian Galvan defeated 73 players (\$365 PLO Re-Entry) for \$7,446
EVENT #3: David Cossio defeated 541 players (\$365 NLHE Re-Entry) for \$34,084
EVENT #4: Chad DeLanzo defeated 155 players (\$365 NLHE Turbo) for \$12,555
EVENT #5: Mark Threadgill defeated 97 players (\$365 NLHE) for \$8,729
EVENT #6: Robert Zarzycki defeated 187 players (\$365 NLHE Six Max) for \$15,428
EVENT #7: Dale Menghe defeated 158 players (\$365 NLHE) for \$12,798

This was the seventh gold ring handed out at the Harvey's Lake Tahoe series. Five more gold rings and Circuit titles are still to come.

All rings at the Harvey's Lake Tahoe series are furnished by [Jostens](#), the official ring supplier of the 2016-2017 WSOP Circuit season.

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